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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q66405

Robert HOFNER

Appln. No.: 09/989,231

Group Art Unit: 2113

Confirmation No.: 9606

Examiner: Emerson C. Puente

Filed: November 21, 2001

For: **A FUNCTIONAL FAIL-OVER APPARATUS AND METHOD**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of August 30, 2004 to January 31, 2005. (January 30, 2005 was a Sunday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$225.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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